

# **Parshat B'reisheet**

Genesis Chapter 1:1-19

## **First Aliyah**

<sup>1</sup> When God began to create heaven and earth—<sup>2</sup> the earth being unformed and void, with darkness over the surface of the deep and a wind from God sweeping over the water—<sup>3</sup> God said, “Let there be light;” and there was light. <sup>4</sup> God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, a first day.

## **Second Aliyah**

<sup>6</sup> God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the water, that it may separate water from water.” <sup>7</sup> God made the expanse, and it separated the water which was below the expanse from the water which was above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup> God called the expanse Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

### **Third Aliyah**

<sup>9</sup> God said, “Let the water below the sky be gathered into one area, that the dry land may appear.” And it was so.

<sup>10</sup> God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering of waters God called Seas. And God saw that this was good.

<sup>11</sup> And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation: seed-bearing plants, fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. <sup>12</sup> The earth brought forth vegetation: seed-bearing plants of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that this was good. <sup>13</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

### **Fourth Aliyah**

<sup>14</sup> God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate day from night; they shall serve as signs for the set times—the days and the years; <sup>15</sup> and they shall serve as lights in the expanse of the sky to shine upon the earth.” And it was so. <sup>16</sup> God made the two great lights, the greater light to dominate the day and the lesser light to dominate the night, and the stars. <sup>17</sup> And God set them in the expanse of the sky to shine upon the earth, <sup>18</sup> to dominate the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that this was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.